

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

<b>In re Application of</b>	§	<b>Art Group: 2832</b>
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<b>Serial No.: 10/708,793</b>	§	
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<b>For: Element for Use in an Inductive Coupler</b>	§	
<b>For Downhole Drilling Components</b>	§	

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed March 21, 2006 for which the shortened – statutory period for response is set to expire on June 21, 2006. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.